STATE OF MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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MECHANIC FALLS WATER DEPARTMENT Proposed Revision to Terms and Conditions ORDER APPROVING TERMS & CONDITIONS; AND EXEMPTION FROM CH. 86 §7.B

WELCH, Chairman; NUGENT and DIAMOND, Commissioners

## **SUMMARY OF ORDER**

The Commission approves the Mechanic Falls Water Department Terms and Conditions and grants an exemption (from Chapter 86, §7.B) to permit a \$10 collection trip fee for non-residential customers.

## BACKGROUND AND DECISION

The Mechanic Falls Water Department filed, on June 14, 2000, changes to its schedule of Terms and Conditions. The schedule of Terms and Conditions, consisting of Sheets 1 through 5, all First Revision, was proposed to become effective on January 1, 2001.

The Mechanic Falls Water Department, after discussions with Commission Staff, filed further revisions to its proposed schedule of Terms and Conditions and requested an exemption from §7.B of Chapter 86. The revised schedule of Terms and Conditions, consisting of Original Sheets 1 through 5, filed on June 20, 2000, are proposed to become effective January 1, 2001.

The Department requested the exemption from § 7.B of Chapter 86 to permit the Department to collect a \$10 collection trip fee from non-residential customers as well as residential customers. We agree that the collection fees for residential and non-residential customers should be equal and will grant the requested exemption.

We have reviewed the proposed Terms and Conditions and will allow them to become effective on January 1, 2001.

Accordingly, we

## ORDER

- That the Mechanic Falls Water Department schedule of Terms and Conditions, consisting of Original Sheets 1 through 5, filed on June 20, 2000, will become effective on January 1, 2001; and
- 2. That the Mechanic Falls Water Department is hereby granted an exemption from Chapter 86, § 7.B so that it may charge non-residential customers a \$10 collection trip fee.

Dated at Augusta, Maine this 5<sup>TH</sup> Day of July 2000.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Dennis L. Keschl Administrative Director

COMMISSIONERS VOTING FOR: Welch

Nugent Diamond